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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9657

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SUBJECT: STATUS SCHEDULED AIR SERVICES BEIRUT-EUROPE

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1. PAN AMERICAN ROUND-THE-WORLD (RTW) FLIGHT 1
WESTBOUND OUT OF SAN FRANCISCO VIA FAR EAST AND
DESTINED BEYOND BEIRUT FOR ISTANBUL, FRANKFURT, LONDON,
AND NEW YORK, TERMINATED AT BEIRUT THIS MORNING AND WILL
BE DISPATCHED EASTBOUND TONIGHT AS FLIGHT 2 FOR SAN
FRANCISCO VIA FAR EAST. PAN AM RTW FLIGHT 2 EASTBOUND
OUT OF NEW YORK LAST NIGHT AND DESTINED FOR LONDON,
FRANKFURT, ISTANBUL, BEIRUT, FAR EAST, SAN FRANCISCO,
TERMINATED FRANKFURT THIS MORNING AND WILL RETURN FROM
FRANKFURT TO LONDON AND NEW YORK AS PAN AM FLIGHT 1.
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, PAN AM RTW SERVICES WILL OPERATE
NEW YORK, LONDON, FRANKFURT, RETURN, AND SAN FRANCISCO,
FAR EAST, BEIRUT, RETURN WITH RTW SERVICES BETWEEN FRANKFURT
AND BEIRUT VIA ISTANBUL SUSPENDED.

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2. PAN AM 110, ORIGINATING NEW YORK LAST NIGHT WITH ITINERARY ROME, BEIRUT, TEHRAN, TERMINATED AT ROME THIS MORNING AND WILL RETURN TO NEW YORK AS FLIGHT 111 TOMORROW MORNING. PAN AM IS EXPLORING POSSIBILIBTY, HOWEVER, OF OPERATING PAN AM 110 AND 111 BETWEEN BEIRUT AND ROME VIA "SOUTHERN DETOUR" (SYRIAN, JORDANIAN, SAUDI, EGYPTIAN AND LIBYAN AIR SPACE) BUT NO DECISION REACHED YET. THIS ROUTING INVOLVES CIRCUITY FACTOR OF 2.5 HOURS.

3. MEA, ALITALIA, LUFTHANSA, GULF AIR AND AIR-INDIA FLIGHTS BEIRUT-EUROPE OPERATED THIS MORNING EITHER IFR (INSTRUMENT FLIGHT RULES) VIA THE "SOUTHERN DETOUR" OR VFR (VISUAL FLIGHT RULES) VIA EGYPTIAN AND LIBYAN COASTS-MALTA-ITALY. TMA ALL-CARGO SERVICES BEIRUT-EUROPE BEING DISPATCHED THIS EVENING IFR VIA "SOUTHERN DETOUR".

4. ACCORDING PAN AM DIRETOR TAYLOR AND TMA OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT PACETTI, ANKARA AND ISTANBUL FIRS (FLIGHT INFORMATION REGION) CLOSED 0700 LOCAL BEIRUT TIME, NICOSIA FIR CLOSED 10815 LOCAL BEIRUT TIME, AND ATHENS FIR CLOSED 0900 LOCAL BEIRUT TIME. GODLEY

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